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Customer No. 22,852

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Dennis W. WAHR et al.

Group Art Unit: 3763

Application No.: 09/845,162

Examiner: not yet known

Filed: May 1, 2001

For: EMBOLI PROTECTION DEVICES
AND RELATED METHODS OF
USECommissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for a month(s) extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of for the Extension is enclosed.

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	158	-	148	10	x \$ 18	\$ 180.00
Indep.	21	-	19	2	x \$ 84	168.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$280	
Subtotal						\$ 348.00
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity						- 174.00
TOTAL						\$ 174.00

- ☒ A fee of \$174.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
- ☐ A fee of \$ to cover is enclosed.
- ☒ A check for \$174.00 to cover the above fee(s) is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this Preliminary Amendment and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Dated: February 20, 2003

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application
as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 149-158 as follows:

149. (New) Apparatus suitable for removing emboli from a vessel, the
apparatus comprising a catheter having a proximal section, an occlusive distal section,
a main body extending therebetween, an a lumen extending therethrough, and an outer
sheath, the outer sheath disposed to slide longitudinally along the catheter, the
improvement comprising that the main body has a contracted delivery diameter when
disposed within the outer sheath and a radially expanded deployed diameter when
deployed from the outer sheath.

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